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has numerous, closely spaced, tufts 11 which are formed of U-shaped, flat, narrow bent strips or strands 12 that form artificial grass blades. The turfs are fastened upon a base or backing sheet 14. This sheet may be made of a woven cloth or the like fabric material formed of stable, weather resistant, plastic such as polypropylene or nylon fibers or the like. The specific cloth must be flexible but, otherwise, may vary as to its composition.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims to read as follows:

A synthetic turf surface for simulating golf and other natural grass game playing surfaces formed of a synthetic grass carpet having a flexible base sheet with closely spaced apart, upright strands of plastic material intended to form artificial grass blades secured to the sheet, and with the strands forming a densely packed, exposed upper surface and said base sheet being positioned upon a resilient cushion underpad arranged upon a firm support surface, the improvement comprising:

said underpad being formed of a sheet of a molded, open cell, expanded, resilient polypropylene material;

whereas said carpet and its supporting underpad closely simulate a portion of a natural grass surface.

- 2. A synthetic turf surface as defined in claim 1, said polypropylene material being formed from polypropylene beads being of density of between about 1.3 to 2.8 pounds per cubic foot and said underpad being of a thickness of between about 1/4 inch to 12 inches.
- 3. A synthetic turf surface as defined in claim 2, said polypropylene material being formed from polypropylene beads having a density of approximately between about

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